

December 2, 2018

The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner
The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner

Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street, Southwest
Washington, DC, 20544

Re: Franchise Fee
Do Not Eliminate From Cable Providers in Marin County, California

Dear Chairman Pai,

I write to support the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance ("CAPA") and to disapprove of the proposals and tentative conclusions set forth in the FCC's September 25 Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, MB Docket 05-311.

It is my understanding that the Federal Communications Commission is planning to give Cable Companies across America and California a big gift this holiday season which consists of NOT HAVING TO PAY a long-established Franchise Fee to the County of Marin for the privilege installing their cables along and under our City streets to our homes.

These Franchise Fees that Comcast and AT&T pay to the County and Cities of Marin are at risk of being cut by the pending FCC-proposed rules which is unacceptable.

If those Franchise Fee payments eliminated, then so will the **local channels of Marin TV and our Youth Media Program, media production training, special classes for seniors, nonprofits, and City agencies, coverage of local issues and events, and the production of thousands of hours of unique local programming.**

I implore the that Federal Franchise Commissioners to keep in place the long stating Franchise Fee which will continue to fund and support Media Center of Marin and Marin Television.

Respectfully submitted,

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